

Simmons, Perrine, Albright & Ellwood, P.L.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
Cedar Rapids and Iowa City

OCT 28 2004

115 Third Street SE, Suite 1200
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401-1266
Telephone: (319) 366-7641
Fax: (319) 366-191722 South Lion Street
Third Floor Tower Place
Iowa City, IA 52240
Telephone: (319) 887-1368
Fax: (319) 887-1372Darrel A. Morf
James E. Shipman
Stephen J. Holtzman¹
Iris E. Muchmore
Gregory M. Lederer
James A. Gerk
Roger W. Stone
David A. Hacker
David W. Kubicek
Matthew J. Brandes
James M. Peters
Leonard T. Strand
Mark H. Ogden
Webb L. Wassmer
Mark A. Roberts
Chad M. VonKampenGregory G. Williams
Nicolas Aboor-Assaly
Allison M. Hafforn
Lynn W. Hartman
Kathleen A. Kleiman
Paul P. Morf
Philip A. Burrian
Michael F. Williams
Christine L. Conover
Elizabeth V. Croco
Putry A. Thimmig¹
David C. Katcher¹
Jason M. Staffens
Lorie Reins-Schweer
Richard G. Hileman,
CounselHaven Y. Simmons (1988-1975)
Beah T. Perrine (1907-1989)
William P. Ellwood (1909-1998)
Justin W. Albright (1988-2004)REGISTERED PATENT
ATTORNEYS
Gregory G. Williams
Michael F. WilliamsOF COUNSEL
James R. Snyder
Robert M. JickRETIRED
John R. CarpenterAlso licensed to practice in:
1 Illinois 2 Wisconsin 3 Missouri

FACSIMILE INFORMATION SHEET

DATE: October 28, 2004

TIME: 9:29 pm Central Time

CONFIDENTIALITY NOTICE: The information contained in this facsimile message and the documents accompanying this facsimile message are attorney privileged and confidential information intended for the use of the individual or entity named below. If the reader of this message is not the intended recipient, or the employee or agent responsible to deliver it to the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution, or copying of this communication is strictly prohibited. If you have received this communication in error, please immediately notify us by telephone, and return the original message to us at the above address via the U.S. Postal Service. We will guarantee postage.

THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE FOR

NAME OF OFFICE:

Office of Initial Patent Examination.

GROUP ART UNIT:

2876

NAME OF AGENCY:

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

FACSIMILE (FAX) NO.

703-872-9306

TELEPHONE NO.

703-308-0956

TRANSMITTING PARTY:

Mr. Mike Williams

FIRM:

Simmons, Perrine, Albright & Ellwood, P.L.C.

TOTAL NUMBER OF PAGES

(including this two page cover sheet):

9 Pages

IF PROBLEMS WITH

TRANSMITTAL CONTACT:

Mickala Anderson (319-366-7641, ext. 217)

RE: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/717,841
(Attorney Docket No. 36767YBB)
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTIONThese pages are being transmitted to the Examiner Ahshik Kim for filing in Application
No. 09/717,841.

Thank you.

Simmons, Perrine, Albright & Ellwood, P.L.C.

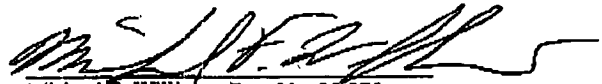
October 28, 2004

Page 2

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8

I hereby certify that, on the date shown below, this Facsimile Cover Sheet, of two (2) pages, a signed PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a), of one (1) page; a duplicate copy of the PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a), of one (1) page; a RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION, consisting of five (5) pages; are being facsimile transmitted to Examiner Abshik Kim, Group Art Unit 2876, fax number (703) 872-9306 at the Patent and Trademark Office for filing in Application No. 09/717,841.

Date: October 28, 2004


Michael F. Williams, Reg. No. 39,875

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

OCT 28 2004

**IN THE UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF:) **GROUP ART UNIT: 2876**
Arvin D. Danielson, et al.) **EXAMINER: Ahshik Kim**
APPLICATION NO.: 09/717,841) **DOCKET REF.: 36767YBB**
FILED: November 21, 2000) **SUBMITTED: October 28, 2004**
FOR: Data Processing Assembly Including a Detachable
Module For Non-Contact Data Reading

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office action of June 28, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

General Authorization Under 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3) appears on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

General Authorization Under 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3)

The Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to treat this or any future response requiring a petition for an extension of time, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time.

In addition, the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees deemed due under 37 CFR 1.17 to Deposit Account 19-2260.

Further, if it is determined that any other fees are due in this application, or if it is determined that an overpayment has been made, the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account 19-2260 as appropriate.